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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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MEMORANDUM

- SUBJECT: Notification Regarding Submission of a Letter of Interest to the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) Program
- FROM: Jorianne Jernberg, Director WIFIA Program

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TO: Wisconsin Drinking Water and Clean Water State Revolving Fund Programs

I am writing to inform you that the WIFIA program received one or more Letters of Interest (LOI) seeking financing for project(s) in your state. Basic information about the LOI is attached. In addition, the WIFIA program may be able to make available detailed information, including the LOI and associated attachments. If you or your staff is interested in viewing an available LOI, please request access by emailing wifia@epa.gov and providing the name(s) of the prospective borrower(s) and the names and e-mail addresses of any staff who would like to view the LOI.

We hope to work with you to maximize infrastructure investment in your state and will be following up separately to have a conversation about co-financing projects. In addition, EPA recognizes that WIFIA is not the optimal solution for all projects, particularly if SRF funding is available to fully finance a project. If your SRF program plans to fully fund any of the projects seeking WIFIA assistance, I am requesting that you inform us as soon as possible but not later than 60 days from receipt of this letter as required under the WIFIA statute. Please note, formal notification is only necessary for projects that your SRF intends to fully fund.

If you have any questions, or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss the proposed project, please feel free to contact me at 202-566-1831 or <u>Jernberg.Jorianne@epa.gov</u> or Karen Fligger on my staff at 202-564-2991 or <u>fligger.karen@epa.gov</u>.

Project Information

Prospective Borrower: City of Waukesha Water Utility

Project Name: Great Lakes Water Supply Project (Great Water Alliance [GWA] Program)

Name of Primary Point of Contact: Mr. Joseph Ciurro, Administrative Services Manager

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Project Description: The Great Lakes Water Supply Project will transition Waukesha, Wisconsin's water supply from depleting and radium contaminated groundwater to Lake Michigan water. The project will obtain Lake Michigan water from the Milwaukee Water Works and also return it to Lake Michigan after use and high levels of wastewater treatment. The project includes: (1) a water supply connection, (2) a 15.2 million gallons per day (mgd) water supply pumping station, (3) a 13.5-mile, 30-inch water supply pipeline, (4) two 10 million gallon reservoirs, (5) a 15.75 mgd booster pumping station, (6) chemical feed, (7) a distribution system connection, (8) improvements to the Utility's existing distribution system, (9) a 12 mgd return flow pumping station, (10) a 23.5-mile, 30 –inch return flow pipeline, (11) return flow facilities at Root River.

Project Location: Waukesha, WI

Requested WIFIA Loan Amount: \$110,454,000

Total Project Cost: \$286,218,000

Prospective Borrower opted to share LOI with SRF: No